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Jean Lasalle is not to return to this country next Jean Lasalle is not to return to this country next season, and, with perhaps one exception, he will not be likely to undertake other operatic engagements. One of his objects in coming to the United States this year, according to the Son, was to make certain the period of the Son, was to make certain the manufactures near Paris. During the year of his retirement from the stage he devoted most of his time to the management of this business, and he expects to return to it when he goes back to France. His manufactories are situated about an hour's ride His manufactories are situated about an hour's ride His manufactories are situated about an hour's ride was not excellent business institutes, and necessary and was of excellent business institutes, and necessary and the had become prosperous he made a number of man of excellent business instincts, and as soon as the had become prosperous he mide a number of fortunate investments in Paris real estate. In addition, he inherited a comfortable fortune. He has been asked by Mine. Cosima Wagner to sing at Bayweinz before the cosima wagner to sing at Bayweinz before the festival at which he wants to sing he will be able to learn in German the parts in which he may appear. He regards this as the most satisfactory way of bringing his career to a close. Lasselhe has never received in this country the appreciation to which he was accustomed in Europe, and contribution of the contributio

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How beautiful a period in a young artist's life is that when, untroubled by thought of time or fame, he lives for his ideal only, willing to sacrifice every-thing to his art, treating the smallest details with the closest industry —Schmann.

Music is never stationary; successive forms and styles are only like so many resting-places—like tents pitched and taken down again on the road to the Ideal.—Franz Lisst.

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as ever. The cause must surely be found in our composers and our managers. The former allow their pens to be guided, not by their musical and dramatic feelings, but by the wishes of their publishers; and, in place of composing for the stage, write what will suit the atmosphere of the drawing-room or the street. This is the crying vice of our operatic

If they have by them a pretty ballad or a sparting song, they care nothing for dramatic situations, but bring it in, head and shoulders, that they may get good terms from the publishers, which thus object good terms from the publishers, which thus object good terms from the publishers, which thus object good terms from the publisher with the state of the pretty of the pretty of the workers with which it has perhaps no more in common than Achilles with the distalf. The best opera writers are but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas bear but one or two pieces in each of these operas pied for draw-time and the pretty of the

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go off emossing a Novy and putting me it has a dozen of their best ballads, taken at random from their desks, filling up with a noisy chorus or two, bestowing some pains, perhaps, upon a solitary consequence, fitting the prima donna with a sufficiently difficult rondo Boale, and imagining they

ROSENTHAL.

Resenthal has given up any further playing this season, and hence will not be heard in St. Louis. He will sail for Europe in the middle of April and to Louis and the season of the will go to London during the season with Switzerland during number of concerts, remain in Switzerland during the summer, and return to the United States early in September. He will again be under the management of Henry Wolfsohn, who expects to begin his season with Kosenthal on the Pacific coast in the be-season with Kosenthal on the Pacific coast in the be-

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WHY GRAND OPERA IS DEAR.

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anteed. In fact, the man who can and does pay such a price wonders why he does it and if he gets the worth of his money. Yet the chances are that he never thought about the expense that same grand opera is to the man who puts it on.

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Men are accustomed to seeing road companies play

fair business in one of the smaller theatres with to fair business in one of the smaller theartes with the top price only \$1.0, and make money. When a company comes to the Auditorium then, and has eruge citizen is unable to see how loss can happen to the manager who plays to the usual prices. But this can be done, and that right easily, as the mana-ger of the company which has been singing for the past three weeks can testify, if so disposed. It costs a small mint of money to put on grand opera on the scale of the Grau productions, as will be seen by the

scale of the Grau productions, as will be seen by the following figures:

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THE ACTUAL COST.

It costs the management of that company something like \$26,000 a week to run that show. That means six performances, for no night performance means six performances, for no night performance is given on matinee days. That means an average of nearly \$4,500 a night actual cost. This does not get a percentage, but merely their guaranties. This is a whole lot of money for amusement. Of course, if Mr. Grau could seat the entire Auditorium at \$2 a if Mr. Grau could seat the entire Auditorium at \$2 a pensive show, but he would need all this to do it. The figures given are his own, and if i e could see his way clear to make money for less he doubtless. Now, in the present season of grand oners, many

would give it a trial.

Now, in the present season of grand opera, many things have contributed to make the percentage of the big brothers and the diva very small. In the first place, the average receipts of the performances have not exceeded the amount necessary to make ends meet. There was one performance which was sufficient to pay for two, but these incidents have been scarce. The matinee a week ago vesterday paid the management some \$11,000, but that is the top figure of the engagement so far. With the night

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CITY NOTES.

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Miss Nellie Paulding, of 3038 Lucas ave., and members of her class, assisted by Carl Steinkeuhler, violin, and Albert Ellicock, soprano, gave a very enjoyable piano recital at the Missouri Baptist Sani-tarium, on the 13th ulf.

William D. Armstrong, of Alton, gave a musi-cale at Monticello Seminary, Godfrey, Ilis., in which he was assisted by Miss Lila L. Haskell, vecalist, and Miss Agnes M. Gray, violinist. A splendid pro-gramme was presented, which included some classi-organ selections by Mr. Armstrong — The numbers were thoroughly appreciated by all present.

A son of Rubinstein will soon make his debut as a tenor in Italy in an opera written especially for him by Mascagni.

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The St. Cecilia Society in Rome is preparing to give, shortly, a series of concerts of sacred choral music, chiefly drawn from the great works of the Flemish classical school, which are not at all well

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Since he left the United States, Dr. Dvorak seems deciared to be so characteristic of American national nusic, and has reverted to his earlier style. There is, however, comparatively little of the national flavour in the new String Quartet in A flat, 0p. 105, produced for the first time in London by Mr. Gom-pertz at Queen's Hall on the 29th ult., and that little of the company's treasurer. Of course, he can stand is a much more as the house and the people can, but if about in the new String Quartet in A fat, Q. 165, but that much would make things fairly satisfactory. He cannot get along to good advantage for less. He perties at Queen's Hall on the 29th nitz, and that little necessary in such work, but it would not take the most energetic and ambitions man long to weary of such returns for his labors and anxieties.

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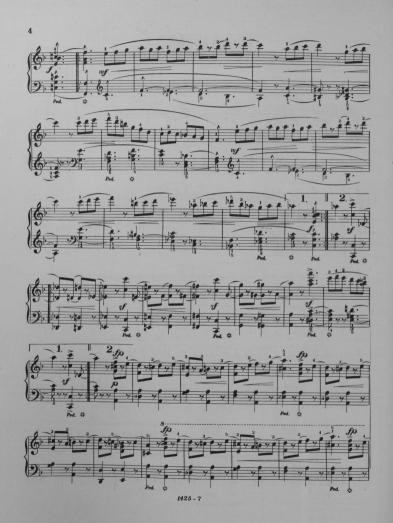
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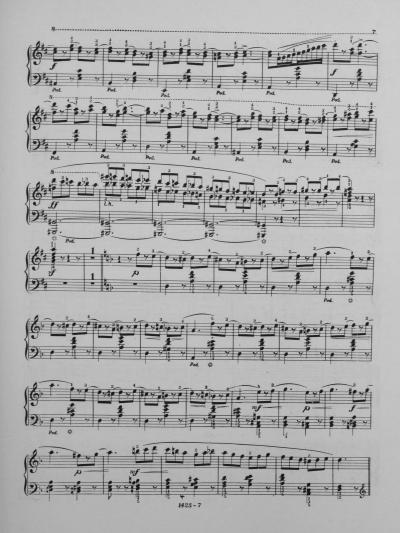
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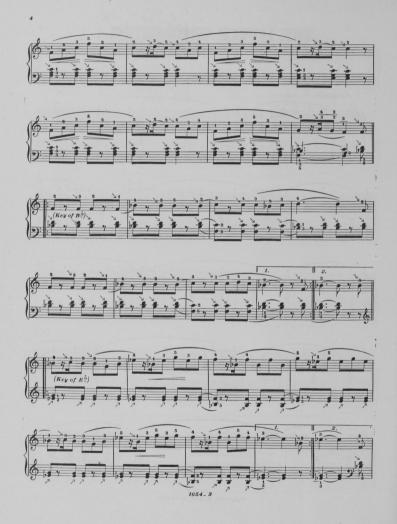


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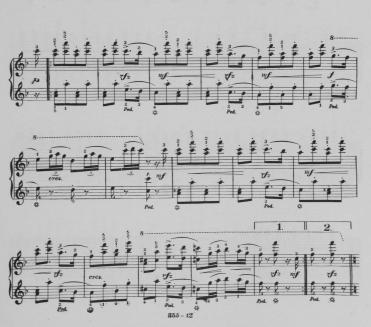
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POINTS IN MUSIC TEACHING.

While there is nothing new in the following, from the British Musician, the maxims set forth for the teacher's guidance are well put and apply to tutors in all departments of music, and they are worth pre-

ter.

Having a general idea of a piece of music, play it to the pupil—your performance is worth all the pupil—your performance is worth all the Translate your verbal theory into pre-tier; show how a scherzo differs from an adagio; how an emount of joy differs from an endotion of pain, the pit anos and fortes, rallentandos and accelerandos, but pit anos and fortes, rallentandos and accelerandos have to be noticed, and need all the care of both excentions. The art of accompanying solosits is very difficult.

The art of accompanying soloists is very difficult, and many otherwise fine musicians of talent and good standing come to grief through it. Good prac-

by the soloist, should they be called upon to accompany a stranger.

Before placing a piece of music before a band, the teacher should study it thoroughly; make a mental (or, better still, a pencil) note of points where the pupils are likely to come to grief, and so be prepared to show them how to get over their difficulty.

nervous and physical energy.

Teaching is nerve wearing. A vast amount of vital energy is constantly being expended, not only during teaching hours, but in the hours of private study and thought, which must daily be done.

The value of the services of a music-teacher, says an exchange, depends largely upon the suggestions which she may be able to give her pupils. Almost any person can teach solely from text; but the any person can teach solely from text; but the teacher who, from general knowledge, experience, contact, comparison and observation can offer valu-able practical suggestions, will knock the persim-mons; whether the pupils benefit by them, depends largely upon the readiness with which they receiv largely upon the readiness with which they receiv

It is not enough that the teacher should know It is not enough that the teacher should know the notes, how to sound them, and manipulate the keys. She should be posted on all the elements which go to make music the universal language of mankind—the divine art. This can be secured only by studying, comparing, scrutinizing, and ob-

Above all, don't forget to exercise continually the erowning habit of cheerfulness. It is catching, in teresting, and elevating. It will grace your person it will add a charm to the technical work of the pu And its possession costs nothing,

Alexander Dreyschock told the following anecdote of Henselt, the celebrated Russiam com

poser:

It used to come every summer to bresslen,
the some of his wifes relatives lived. One day,
Dreyscheck, going to call upon him, heard him playing in a very animated way. He seated himself upon
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tone, and in beauty of phraising, it surpassed anything that he had ever heard in his life, and he was
particularly struck with the beauty of the ideas. At
length, the playing ceasing, he snocked and was
self-what he had been playing as he came in. Whereupon he answered that it was merely a new idea
that occurred to him. He added that whenever he
that occurred to him. He added that whenever he
had to extract the state of the state of the
to start until he had turned it over in every possithe appet—which was what he was foling in the
sase. Then Dreyschock asked him to play it for
played it again—but with what a difference! Such
was his nervousness and constraint in the presence
of a listener that the playing was entirely different
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he conception less intense, but the very tone itself
had lost its round, full and satisfying quality. This
was the effect of constriction due to nervolusness. Henselt used to come every summer to Dresden

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"The Bayreuth Hallucination" is the title caustic essay from the pen of the Rev. John F. Run-ciman, who sums up the case in these terms: "Bayreuth, then, does little things well; and since

for both these reasons,

But the excellence in singing and in acting is
wholly an hallucination, due, perhaps, to hypnotic
suggestion. Some day the world will realize that it
is an hallucination. And in that day the pressige prices will be deserted; the lodging house keepers

"Far be it from me to suggest that Bayreuth can mend its ways. Sincerity, artistic sincerity, is the sincere so long that sincerily is out of the question for it Wilfully or innocently, accordingly as they are to be classed as frauds or fools, its atoms have dwell in a world of illusions, and they have become either hardened conscious humbugs or incurable either hardened conscious humbugs or incurable

"Their world has no relation to, nor even any cor respondence with the real world which moves on leaving them further and further behind.

"Their philosophy is sham, their art criticism sham, their temperament sham, even their enthusi-asm mostly a highly cultivated sham. And the asm mostly a nignly cultivated sham. And the sham is apparent the moment we compare their work—such as the singers and actors who are not shams, but have honestly earned their positions in the real world—'Outside,' as Bayreuth charmingly

terms it. "Well may Bayreuth call the real world 'Out-"Well may Bayreuth call the real world 'Out-side.' There are humbugs enough there, every one will admit. But Bayreuth has its 'dark foundations' in humbuggery, and there is a world of humbugs within the circle of its walls."

All difficult parts of a composition, says Fanny Bloomfield Ziesler, should be practiced separately, spending the most time on those which are the most difficult, of course.

Inflicture, or course.

It is well to play from the technical side first, but not to become tied to this plan, for one must be able to give a musical and expressional performance of a piece sometimes at first sight. This, of course, to some easy piece, and this applies to the great majority of the present majority or the present majority of the present majority of

Very slow practice is essential. Perhaps do one assage ten times, then try it at its right tempo, and if it does not go correct with ease, try it ten or a hundred times more, going slow enough to make every note of it certainly correct in all points. After every note of it certainly correct in all points. After the first reading, give an outline expression, or a careful use of the best touch. Above all, play with brains! A good touch must always be used, and as soon as the mere technical difficulty is mastered, variety of touch should be applied. However, the staccato touch can be used at the first reading, if the

staccato touch can be used at the first reading, if the passage is one of some length.

After the piece goes well and is, memorized, drop, and the property of the property of

good work on another, alternating them, even at the same sitting. It is more of a rest when the two pieces are quite unlike. Do not sit two hours at a time, and it is useless to practice over four hours a day. If you need eight or ten hours a day, you will never be an artist; perhaps a planist, surely never

I despise all superficial, frivolous music, and never occupy myself with it. The object of music is to strengthen and ennoble the soul. If it does else save honor God and illustrate the thoughts and

eise save nonor God and illustrate the tholights and feelings of great men, it entirely misses its aim. But what shall I say of those men w. o. gifted with the divine power of creating music, misuse their power in a contemptible manner? There are such men, however, on whose ingrati-tude it is impossible to look without indignation. And their works alone are those that deserve the

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I am convinced that many who think they have I am convinced that many who think they are no taste for music would learn to appreciate it and partake of its blessings, if they often listened to good instrumental music with earnestness and at-

"Many a man of genius," said Haydn, "perishes because he has to gain his bread by teaching instead of devoting himself to study."

It has seemed to me that the highest range of human talent is distinguished, not by the power of doing well any one particular thing, but by the power of doing well anything which we resolutely determine to do.—Francis Wayland.

The safe path to excellence and success in every calling is that of appropriate preliminary education, diligent application to learn the art, and assiduity in practicing it.—Edward Everett.

Music, even in the most harrowing moment, ought never to offend the ear, but should always remain music, which desires to give pleasure.—Mozart.

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